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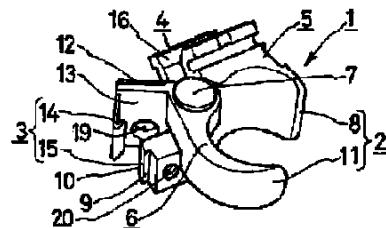
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[57] Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a vertebral column fixing hook capable of reducing an operation time, facilitating the decision of correct size, and reducing the burden on a patient.

SOLUTION: This vertebral column fixing hook 1 is constituted of a hook mechanism 2 engaging with the horizontal projection of a vertebral column from its sides using a pair of hooks 8 and 11 connected with a hinge 7 so that the pair of hooks 2 can open/close, a lock mechanism 3 which is formed integrally with the pair of hooks 8 and 11 at the opposite side of the hook mechanism 2 with the hinge 7 as a center and which locks and unlocks the hook mechanism 2 each time it opens and closes, and a rod fixing mechanism 4 which is formed as part of the hook 8 of the hook mechanism 2 and is engaged with a rod from correcting the vertebral column at the back of the hook mechanism 2 to hold the rod at the back of the vertebral column.

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